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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT: SCENARIO AND TALKING POINTS FOR THE
THE JOINT COMMISSION SIGNING CEREMONY

1. THE SIGNING CEREMONY FOR THE JOINT COMMISSION AGREEMENT
WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE END OF THE SECRETARY'S SECOND ROUND OF
TALKS WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER. THAT ENTIRE SESSION IS SCHEDULED
TO BEGIN AT 1600 ON OCTOBER 28 AND END AT 1645. THE SIGNING
CEREMONY WILL TAKE THE LAST FIFTEEN MINUTES.

2. THOSE ATTENDING ON THE INDIAN SIDE WILL INCLUDE FOREIGN
MINISTER CHAVAN; FOREIGN SECRETARY KEWAL SINGH; JOINT SECRETARY
FOR THE AMERICAS J.S. TEJA; AMBASSADOR TO THE US T. N. KAUL;
M.G. KAUL, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; T.P.
SINGH, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; P.K. DAVE, SECRE-
TARY, DEPARTMENT OF PETROLEUM; Y.T. SHAH, SECRETARY, MINISTRY
OF COMMERCE; AND A. RAMACHANDRAN, SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF SCIENCE
AND TECHNOLOGY. WE SUGGEST THAT FOR THE AFTERNOON DISCUSSION AND

SIGNING CEREMONY THE AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS IN THE MORNING
DISCUSSIONS BE AUGMENTED BY THE FOLLOWING EMBASSY OFFICERS:
ALBERT E. HEMSING, MINISTER-COUNSELOR FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS;
PAUL H. KREISBERG, POLITICAL COUNSELOR; AND PETER LANDE,
ECONOMIC COUNSELOR.

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3. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PRESS, RADIO/TV, AND PHOTOGRAPHERS WILL BE INVITED INTO THE CONFERENCE ROOM FOR THE SIGNING CEREMONY. BRIEF STATEMENTS WILL BE MADE BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE SECRETARY.

4. FOUR SEPARATE COPIES (TWO IN ENGLISH AND TWO IN HINDI) OF THE JOINT COMMISSION AGREEMENT WILL BE SIGNED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE SECRETARY. ORIGINALS IN ENGLISH AND HINDI WILL BE RETAINED BY THE US.

5. HERE ARE PROPOSED TALKING POINTS FOR THE SECRETARY:

-- THE AGREEMENT MARKS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MATURE AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP BOTH COUNTRIES SEEK. IT WILL ESTABLISH AN INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK AND FORUM FOR EXCHANGES OF VIEWS ON IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, AND A MECHANISM FOR THE ORDERLY EXPANSION OF TIES BETWEEN PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

-- IT IS THE POLICY OF INDIA TO HAVE PUBLIC CONTROL OVER MUCH OF INDIAN ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND CULTURAL LIFE. AMERICAN TRADITIONS LEAD US TO CARRY ON MOST ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE SPHERE OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY AND CONTROL. THE JOINT COMMISSION ESTABLISHED BY TODAY'S AGREEMENT SHOULD FACILITATE COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS AND SOCIETIES. THERE IS NO REASON FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES, WITH THEIR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC ELEMENTS, NOT TO COOPERATE TO THEIR MUTUAL ADVANTAGE IN TRADE, INVESTMENT, FLOWS OF TECHNOLOGY, AND EXCHANGES OF PERSONS IDEAS.

-- THE UNITED STATES WILL ENCOURAGE THE PARTICIPATION IN THE WORK OF JOINT COMMISSION OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS FROM MANY WALKS OF LIFE. SUBCOMMISSIONS WILL REVIEW AREAS OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF THEIR COMPETENCE WITH THEIR INDIAN COLLEAGUES. WHERE THEY SEE AREAS OF FRUITFUL COLLABORATION, THEY WILL RECOMMEND COOPERATION; WHERE THERE ARE PROBLEMS, THEY WILL SUGGEST SOLUTIONS.

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-- IN ECONOMICS AND COMMERCE, THE JOINT COMMISSION WILL CONTRIBUTE TO A HEALTHY AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL EXPANSION OF COMMERCIAL, FINANCIAL, AND INDUSTRIAL TIES BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES.

-- IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, IT WILL FURTHER DEVELOP THE CLOSE AND PRODUCTIVE TIES WHICH ALREADY EXIST BETWEEN TWO OF THE WORLD'S MAJOR SCIENTIFIC POWERS.

-- IN EDUCATION AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE, IT WILL PROMOTE A BROADENING OF CONTACTS AND EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE OPEN SOCIETIES OF OUR TWO DEMOCRACIES THAT WILL ENRICH THE LIVES OF THE CITIZENS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

-- IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, WHAT WE GET OUT OF THE AGREEMENT WILL DEPEND ON WHAT WE PUT IN; BUT IN CREATING THIS JOINT COMMISSION THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA EXPRESSED THEIR MUTUAL CONFIDENCE IN A FUTURE OF EXPANDED PRODUCTIVE CONTACT BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES. WE INTEND TO GET TO WORK ON THE BUSINESS AT HAND RIGHT AWAY. WE HOPE TO HAVE THE FIRST MEETINGS OF ALL THE SUBCOMMISSIONS WITHIN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS.

-- WE SALUTE THE SPIRIT THAT HAS BROUGHT US TO THIS POINT, AND PLEDGE THE COOPERATION OF THE UNITED STATES TO MAKE A SUCCESS OF THE ENTERPRISE ON WHICH WE HAVE EMBARKED.
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